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Serial No. 09/508,473	Filing Date March 9, 2000	Examiner Chencinski, Siegfried E.	Group Art Unit 3628
Inventor(s) YAMAMOTO, et al.			
Title of Invention BILLING METHOD FOR COMMUNICATION NETWORK			

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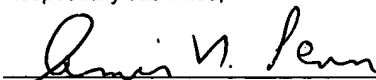
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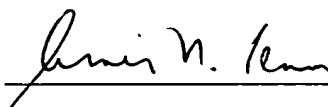
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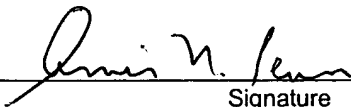
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Dear Sir:

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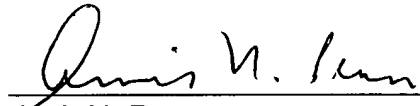
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